

**INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC)
COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

**3538 Mounds Road
Anderson, IN 46017**

**July 13, 2015
09:00 A.M.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dean Larson—Public Representative, Chair
James Pridgen—IndustryPublic
Representative
Ian Ewusi—IDHS/IDEM
Catherine Dutton—IDHS

Jeff Larmore—Marion County LEPC
present via call-in
Shawn French—Industry Representative via
call-in

The following Committee members were absent:

Matt Bilkey—Designee for Superintendent
of ISP
Becky Waymire—Morgan County LEPC

Sherman Greer—Public Representative
Laura Steadham—IDEM

The following Commission members were present:

James Greeson— State Fire Marshal, IERC Chair

The following staff and audience members were present:

Madison Roe—IDHS
Brad Gavin—IDHS

Catherine Dutton—IDHS

QUORUM

IERC Field Rep Ian Ewusi indicated a quorum was present.

Implementation of Electronic Communications Meetings Policy

As one of the representatives attended the meeting via tele-conference, the committee conducted a roll call vote for all motions.

MINUTES

The May 11, 2015 meeting was conducted without a quorum, thus the July 13, 2015 meeting was required to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2015 meeting and ratify the actions taken at the May 11, 2015 meeting.

Motion to accept March 9, 2015, meeting minutes was made by Mr. Pridgen, seconded by Mr. Larmore.

Dean Larson—Aye
Ian Ewusi—Aye
James Pridgen—Aye

Jeff Larmore—Aye
Shawn French—Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to ratify the actions taken during the May 11, 2015 was made by Mr. Ewusi seconded by Mr. Pridgen.

Dean Larson—Aye
Ian Ewusi—Aye
James Pridgen—Aye

Jeff Larmore—Aye
Shawn French—Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS

- Mr. Larson gave an update on the upcoming 2015 EMAI/IERC Conference, which will be held on 20-23 Oct, 2015. Registration for the conference is now open and Mr. Larson extended an invitation to the Commission members to attend. Mr. Larson will make a motion to the Commission to pay for 3 IERC members to attend. Mr. Gavin confirmed that Commission members will not be able to stay at the Marriot East as it is not a direct bill hotel and will not meet the State of Indiana's hotel rate. Mr. Larson discussed the tentative agenda for the upcoming EMAI conference specifically detailed which presentations would cover hazardous materials.
- Mr. Larson queried whether LEPCs could pay to attend the Indiana Emergency Response Conference with LEPC funds due to the conference's lack of hazardous materials content. Ms. Roe stated that the grant guidance for the 2015 HMEP grant allowed for LEPC attendance at the Indiana Emergency Response Conference. Mr. Gavin clarified that HMEP funding may be able to be used, however LEPC funding could not be used to fund attendance at the Indiana Emergency Response Conference.
- Mr. Larson spoke about the LEPC award nominations to be presented at the EMAI/IERC Conference. He stated that Mr. Ewusi had reviewed all the nominations and requested a motion be made to approve all ten award nominations.

Motion to accept all ten LEPC award nominations was made by Mr. Ewusi and seconded by Mr. Larmore.

Dean Larson—Aye
Ian Ewusi—Aye
James Pridgen—Aye

Jeff Larmore—Aye
Shawn French—Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

- Mr. Larson spoke about the attendance of Mr. Sherman Greer at Communications Committee meetings since his removal from the IERC. Mr. Larson spoke with Mr. Greer who confirmed his interest in remaining a member of the IERC Communications Committee. Mr. Ewusi stated there are eight members on the Communications Committee roster. Mr. Larson stated that Mr. Greer has reaffirmed his commitment to the Communications Committee. Mr. Ewusi reminded the committee that a motion was made in the March 9, 2015 Communications Committee meeting to remove Mr. Greer from the committee, however this decision was never brought to the full committee meeting thus was not approved. Ms. Roe confirmed she has the correct contact details for Mr. Greer and will ensure he receives future correspondence.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Larson and seconded by Mr. Ewusi.

MOTION CARRIED.

NEXT MEETING

September 14, 2015 in Seymour, IN.

Dean Larson, Chair